And with what danger, near the heart of
It.

WAR. It Is but as a bpdy, yet,
distemper'd [6] ;
Which to his former strength may be
restor'd,
With good advice, and little medicine :
My lord Northumberland will soon be
cool'd [7].

K. HEN. O heaven! that one might
read the
book of fate:
And see the revolution of the times
Make mountains level, and the
continent
(Weary of solid firmness,) melt itself
Into the sea ! and, other times, to see [8]
The beachy girdle of the ocean
Too wide for Neptune's hips ; how
chances mock,
And changes fill the cup of alteration
With divers liquors ! O, if this were
seen [9],

[6] It is but as a body, yet, DISTEMPER*!) ;] *Distemper*, that is, according to the old physick, a disproportionate mixture of humours, or inequality of innate heat and radical humidity, is less than actual *disease*, being only the state which foreruns or produces diseases. The difference between *distemper* and *disease* seems to be much the same as between *disposition* and *habit.*

JOHNSON

[7] My lord Northumberland will soon be COOL'D.] I believe Shakspeare wrote *schooled;* tutor'd, and brought to submission.

WAR. BURTON.

Cool'd is certainly right. JOHNSON

So, in The Merry Wives of Windsor : ** — my humour shall not *cool*." STEEVENS.

[8] O heaven! that one might read the book of fate:
And see the revolution of the times
Make mountains level, and the continent
(Weary of solid firmness,) melt itself
Into the sea! and, other times, to see, &c.] So, in our author's 64th Sonnet:

* When I have seen the hungry ocean gain
* Advantage on the kingdom of the shore,
* And the firm soil win of the watry main,
* Increasing store with loss, and loss with store:
* When I have seen such interchange of state," &c.

MALONE,

9 — O, if this were seen [Sec.]

These four lines are supplied from the edition of 1600, WARBURTON.